Office of State Budget and Management Establish New, Receipt-Supported Positions

(G.S. 143-34.1)

Agency: Labor	Division: <u>Elev</u>	Division: Elevator and Amusement Device Bureau	
Budget Code: 138	300 Center Title:	Center Number: 1320	
	*** Position Informat	ion ***	
Proposed Classific	cation: Processing Assistant III	Proposed Salary Grade:	
Salary Range:	\$20,955 - \$30,276	Proposed Effective Date: 01/01/06	
Number of Position	o ns : <u>1</u>		
	Center Authorized Budget	Current Request (Annualized salary and fringe)	
Total Budget Receipts	\$2,552,965 	\$33,071 33,071	
Appropriation	\$	\$	
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Funding Source(s): Elevator inspections Fees

Justification for Position (including description of duties and responsibilities): The bureau requests an additional clerical position in the Raleigh office. Currently there are 4 clerical staff members who process all the paperwork (inspection reports, invoices, etc.) for 30 elevator inspectors located throughout the State. The inspection staff has increased without additional support to the point that they can no longer keep up with the number of reports/invoices received each week. Keeping up with the data entry and paperwork is critical since the bureau is 100% receipt supported.

The primary responsibilities of the new position involves invoice processing of inspection fees as well as provide additional clerical support to the Office Manager, Bureau Chief, and Assistant Bureau Chief. This position will also serve as the main receptionist for incoming calls as well as input data into the electronic data base.

Benefits derived from the additional position include:

- 1) Invoice data entry in Raleigh office is handled thereby giving other clerical staff more time for existing and/or additional duties. This enhances speed and accuracy of invoicing inspection fees which ultimately leads to improved cash flow.
- 2) Greater productivity and efficiency for all inspection personnel. Backlog of inspections will be decreased significantly due to greater efficiency of information.
- 3) With this position primarily handling all invoices, there is a high confidence level in the reliability of invoice data

This position is budgeted for 6 months (1/1/06 through 6/30/06) with the annual cost of salary and fringe benefits totaling \$33,071 for 2006-07. Salary is budgeted at the midpoint (\$25,616) in hopefully hire a more qualified candidate.

Statutory Reference for Request

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Presentation to be made by

Director, Budget & Management Title

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Agency: Labor

Division: Apprenticeship

Center Title: Apprenticeship Budget Code13800

Center Number: 1420

*** Position Information ***

Proposed Salary Grade: Proposed Classification: Apprenticeship Specialist <u>71</u>

Proposed Effective Date: 01/01/06 Salary Range: <u>\$35,134 - \$54,430</u>

Number of Positions: 2

	Center Authorized Budget	Current Request (annualized-salary and fringe)
Total Budget	\$1,538,332	\$ 120,520 120,520
Receipts Appropriation	\$ 1,538,332	\$

Funding Source(s): Veteran's Administration Grant

Justification for Position (including description of duties and responsibilities): The NC Department of Labor, Apprenticeship Bureau, is requesting 2 VA funded apprenticeship positions to provide apprenticeship and OJT support to veterans and their employers. The department is the State Approving Agency for eligible veterans to receive GI Bill benefits. With the current global situation, there are more and more veterans eligible for these benefits. One position will be located in the Raleigh area and the other in the Charlotte area to better serve the population.

Job duties include: 1) Attending all TAP (transition assistance presentation) meetings at military bases throughout the state, 2) Respond to all telephone calls from veterans and potential sponsors, 3) Employees will make promotional calls to potential companies regarding hiring and training eligible

4) Register training programs that are VA approved (veterans receive GI benefits), 5) Register veterans and assist the veteran in filling out the appropriate paperwork to apply for GI benefits, 6) Perform and complete all annual supervisory visits in companies with veterans receiving benefits, 7) Follow-up on any sponsors who have deficient programs per audits, 8) Assist in VA reporting requirements, 9) Attend job fairs as well as develop and prepare promotional information for veterans and sponsoring companies, 10) Make presentations to veteran's organizations regarding apprenticeship program(s), 11) prepare administrative type functions such as update VA website information, maintain email list serve for all participating sponsors, and prepare correspondence as required.

The department's current annual VA contract totals \$100,000 and can only be used for VA-related expenses. The agency currently has received \$100,000. Of that amount \$16,379.54 was used for travel and mailing of VA material leaving a current balance as of 8/30/05 of \$83,620.46. As more and more veterans become eligible for these benefits, it is anticipated that funding will increase to cover the cost of the positions.

The 2 positions will work solely on VA-related activities and in the event funding is no longer available, the positions will be eliminated.

The request includes salaries, fringe benefits, and support (i.e. travel, supplies, etc.) for the period 1-1-06 through 6-30-06 with the salaries and support to be annualized in 2006-07 totaling \$120,520. The starting salary of each position is budgeted at \$44,782 which is the midpoint of the salary grade. It is anticipated that this salary level is necessary to recruit competent staff.

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